

the last century and a half; and may God grant you the opportunity to continue doing His work for many years into the future.

**DONNELLY HEAD START IN
DONNELLY, IDAHO**

HON. C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 2, 2002

Mr. OTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding achievements of the Donnelly Head Start in Donnelly, Idaho. Recently, the Donnelly Head Start was chosen as the Small Site Idaho State Champion in "Read With Me: The 2002 Reading is Fundamental Community Reading Challenge." In March, the Children at this site met personal reading goals, shared stories with other children and adults, visited the library, wrote book reviews and shared other literacy activities with members of the Donnelly Idaho Community.

As breakthroughs continue being made in the medical, science, and technology fields it becomes increasingly important for America's youth to be well educated so they may build upon the successes and learn from the failures of previous generations. Literacy will always be the foundation of education that propels achievement. Organizations like Head Start and Reading is Fundamental have proved successful in providing children with an opportunity to get an advantage in learning. But without the commitment of students and dedication of educators, like those at the Donnelly, Idaho Head Start, these efforts and the efforts of Congress to fund education will be lost.

Again, I offer my congratulations to the students and educators at Donnelly, Idaho Head Start and reaffirm my commitment to providing Idahoans, and all American's with the very best educational opportunities.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM DeMINT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 2, 2002

Mr. DeMINT. Mr. Speaker, on April 30, 2002 I was unavoidably detained and was not present for 3 roll call votes. Had I been present, I would have voted 'aye' on roll call vote #117, 'nay' on roll call vote #118, and 'aye' on roll call vote #119.

**HONORING THE LIFE OF DEPUTY
DAVID WILLIAM MARCH (1969-2002)**

HON. HILDA L. SOLIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 2, 2002

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Deputy David William March of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department who was tragically killed in the line of duty on Monday, April 29, 2002.

Deputy March, a resident of Saugus, California, lost his life while making a routine traf-

fic violation stop in Irwindale, California. A seven-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, he was honored to become part of this esteemed agency. His tenacity and dedication became trademark qualities for which he was known.

Deputy March will be remembered as a kind, gentle man who was compassionate to all creatures. He would regularly bring home stray dogs to his wife of five years, Teresa, and his stepdaughter, Kayla. His mother, Barbara, remembers her son as a caring man who always defended the little guy. Deputy March's colleagues recall him as an honest, hard-working man who loved his job. Deputy March will be deeply missed by his family, including his father, John, his brother, James, and his sister, Erin, as well as his friends and coworkers.

I am saddened by the loss of such a fine member of our community and wish his family and loved ones my deepest sympathy by acknowledging him today. Let us remember Deputy David William March as a loving husband, father, son, brother, and hero.

**THE TIME TO DEPUTIZE HAS
ARRIVED**

HON. DOUG BEREUTER

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 2, 2002

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, this Member wishes to commend to his colleagues the April 26, 2002, editorial from the Norfolk Daily News entitled "Good reason to cooperate."

Mr. Speaker, Section 287 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) authorizes the U.S. Attorney General to enter into a written agreement with local and state law enforcement agencies for the purpose of permitting qualified state and local law enforcement officers to carry out the functions of an immigration office. (This section is also known as the "Latham provision" in honor of our colleague, the distinguished gentleman from Iowa (Mr. LATHAM), who introduced the provision as an amendment to the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRAIRA) of 1996. These activities would include the investigation, apprehension, detention, and transportation of aliens in the United States.

In areas where there are too few INS resources to effectively confront the problem of illegal immigration, it would seem logical and extremely beneficial for the U.S. Attorney General to enforce Section 287 of the INA.

Unfortunately, the previous Attorney General never took that logical step.

This editorial (and certainly this Member) commends the current Attorney General for indicating that he is willing to revisit the issue. Indeed, deputizing state and local law enforcement officials would provide much needed support to the limited resources available for enforcement of immigration laws in this country's interior.

[From the Norfolk Daily News, Apr. 26, 2002]

GOOD REASON TO COOPERATE

Critics of the U.S. Justice Department are quick to condemn any real or perceived lack of federal cooperation with state or local law enforcement authorities. A different attitude is evident when federal authorities themselves seek cooperation.

It was evident in the special federal effort to get assistance in questioning—not arresting—several thousands of individuals who it was thought might be helpful in tracking members of the terrorist network believed responsible for the Sept. 11 attacks on America. That could involve unjust "profiling," it was alleged—as if the law conferred the special privilege to visitors, legal or not, of refusing to cooperate with legitimate law enforcers.

A new controversy arises, with criticism from similar sources, because the attorney general hopes to be able to deputize state and local law enforcers to help deal with the flood of illegal immigrants.

There are good reasons for seeking such cooperation. One is that some immigrants have been involved in crime—here and elsewhere. Local authorities necessarily have to deal with it. They help law enforcement in their own jurisdictions by seeing that illegal aliens are turned over to immigration officers.

Another reason is that despite the porous borders and larger numbers of both legal and illegal immigrants, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has not been staffed to deal with the flood.

It needs help, obvious from the fact that there are estimated to be some 8 million people in America without valid papers, living and often working here illegally. The numbers of INS agents available for internal enforcement are not sufficient for the task.

It is no favor to the millions of legal immigrants America invites to be soft on enforcement. For the illegals to be treated equally rewards noncompliance with the law.

"Softness" becomes a blatant error when it prompts acceptance of the idea that it is improper to ask for help which local police departments, sheriffs and deputies could provide in enforcing laws.

**SALUTE TO WOMEN OF LAKE
COUNTY**

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 2, 2002

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to announce that the Barbara Holder Consulting Services will be hosting a Salute to Women of Lake County, on Friday, May 3, 2002, at the Horseshoe Casino, Lakeview Room in Hammond, Indiana. Ten outstanding women from Northwest Indiana will be honored at this notable event for their dedication and hard work. A portion of the proceeds from this event will benefit the Minority Organ Tissue and Transplant Education Program (M.O.T.T.E.P.) and Project Research, a teen pregnancy prevention education program for teens ages 12-17.

Mrs. Holder, owner of Barbara Holder Consulting Services, a woman-owned business with offices in Gary and Chicago, specializes in creating community outreach programs, as well as monitoring and evaluating compliance with federal, state, and local EEO/Affirmative Action laws. She had the vision a year ago to honor the many faceless and nameless women who work tirelessly everyday but are never recognized publicly for the contributions they make in their respective fields. With the assistance of the planning committee members representing several academic, private, public, and social entities, this first annual and well-deserved salute to the women of Lake County became a reality.